## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM Barn at Henson Valley Montessori School Inventory Number: Address: Woodyard Road and Welshire Drive City: Upper Marlboro, MD Zip Code: 20772 USGS Topographic Map: Upper Marlboro County: Prince Georges Is the property being evaluated a district? yes Owner: Henson Valley Montessori School Tax Parcel Number: 78 Tax Map Number: 100 Tax Account ID Number: 3532660 Henson Valley Montessori School land development Agency: Private Developer Project: Date: yes Name: Site visit by MHT Staff: no Is the property located within a historic district? yes x no District Inventory Number: If the property is within a district NR-listed district yes Eligible district yes District Name: Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource yes no Non-contributing but eligible in another context If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district) Eligible yes x no Preparer's Recommendation: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None Criteria: Documentation on the property/district is presented in: MHT Library Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo) A gravel drive leads to the barn from Woodyard Road. The once-agricultural parcel is now an open field with stands of trees and thick scrub and vegetation. The barn on the Montessori School property is a large, rectangular structure with a front gabled roof. The barn is of post and beam construction and clad with flush vertical siding planks secured to cross-beams and posts. All wood members comprising the barn appear to be Southern Yellow Pine, which was very common and plentiful in the region. The structure is supported on individual concrete piers under posts. The barn accommodates a vehicle to drive straight through and was likely used for loading and storage. Other than an enclosed storage area is located in the southeast corner, the barn is one bay. The barn does not appear to be a tobacco barn, as it lacks drying racks and air-spaces between the vertical siding. Wood posts and beams show indications of circular saw markings and the use of wire nails. The barn is in fairto-poor condition with some missing siding boards and intrusive vegetation compromising the siding and roof. The barn does not appear in aerial photographs from 1938, though it does appear in photographs from the 1960s. This barn likely was built in the 1940s or 1950s. At one time, the property operated as a farm. The original acreage has since been subdivided. The barn is not a good example of a particular style or function of barns during the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century. No other structures relating to the barn (such as a farmhouse, silos, barns, etc.) remain extant on the property and the setting of the barn MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW Eligibility not recommended Eligibility recommended Criteria: Considerations: A B C D E F G None Comments:

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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Date

NR Eligible: yes

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST NR-ELIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Continuation Sheet No. 1

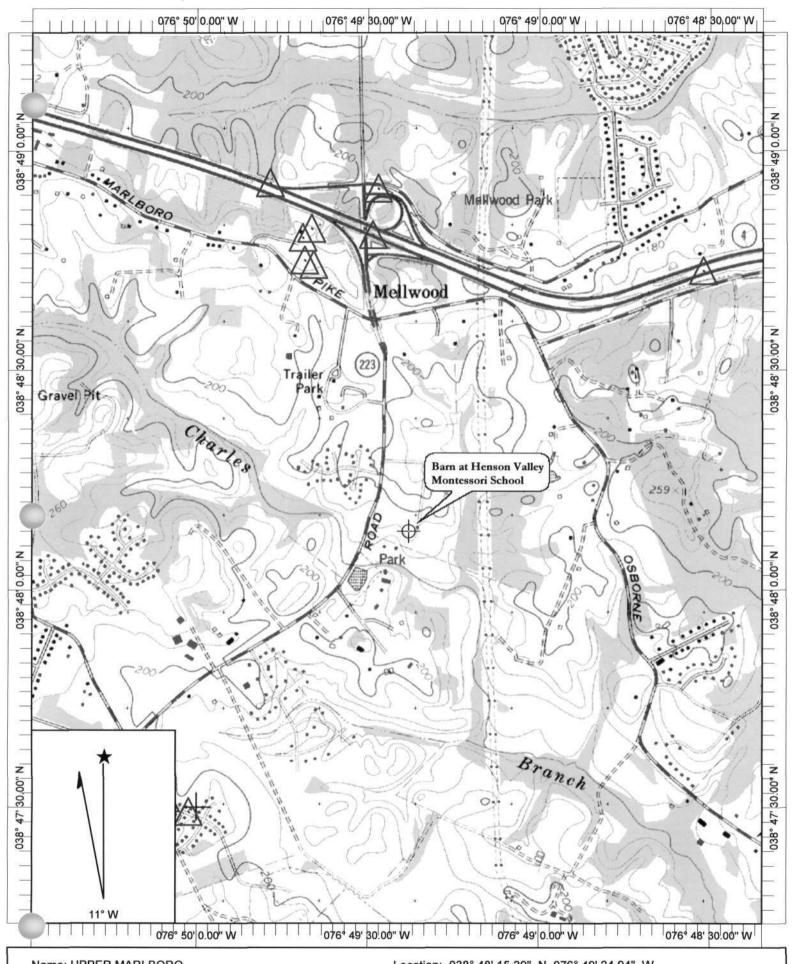
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is no longer agricultural. Due to the lack of integrity in setting, feeling, association, condition, and design, the barn is not considered historically significant.

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Scale: 1 inch equals 1333 feet

Location: 038° 48' 15.29" N 076° 49' 24.94" W Caption: Barn at Henson Valley School

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View of the barn interior looking South.

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Barn at Henson Valley School Prince Georges County Kuthryn St. Class 12/1/2005 WPSHSS View of the interior of the barn looking south,

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